

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION OF Robert R. Schaefer, P.E.
DEPARTMENT Superintendent of Sanitary Services

DATE October 13, 1978

Re: Sanitary Sewer backup at the Puritan
Reformed Book Store, 333 N. Campbell

At approximately 11:30 a.m., October 13, 1978, I received a call on the City radio from Harry Criswell stating that the Puritan Reformed Book Store was having problems with their sewer line backing up inside their building. Mr. Hawkins was contacted at the above mentioned location. Mr. Hawkins explained that their sewer has backed up several times within the last year and that it always backs up in their stool and overflows. Manhole #115 and #108 on Wye Map O-10 were checked. Manhole #108 was surcharged to the top of the Manhole. Manhole #115 was checked and it was found that very little flow was coming down the line from Manhole #108. Sewer maintenance crew #552 arrived and found a stoppage in the sewer line, apparently at the drop in Manhole #115. As soon as the blockage was removed, Mr. Hawkins' problem subsided. The blockage appeared to be caused by a large collection of grease. The sewer line was then checked for any other blockage between Manhole #115 and #108 and it was found to be clear.

Mr. Hawkins made reference to the fact that this problem had occurred several times in the past year and that he had contacted City Hall about it on four occasions and nothing had ever really been done. Mr. Hawkins was also concerned about his damaged carpeting, caused by the sewer backup, and if the City was going to pay for the damage. Mr. Hawkins was referred to the Legal Department at City Hall.

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